The projections based on the final population figures from the 2001 Census are not going to be significantly different.

(c) The Government is already undertaking suitable measures to bring down population growth rate as outlined in the National Population Policy, 2000. The Central and State Governments are implementing the National Family Welfare Programme. In accordance with vision of the National Common Minimum Programme, a National Rural Health Mission (NRHM) has been launched on 12th April, 2005. The Mission will be implemented throughout the country, with special focus on 18 States *viz.* Jammu & Kashmir, Himachal Pradesh, Uttar Pradesh, Madhya Pradesh, Bihar, Rajasthan, Orissa, Uttaranchal, Chhattisgarh, Jharkhand, Arunachal Pradesh, Assam, Manipur, Meghalaya, Mizoram, Nagaland, Sikkim, and Tripura. The Mission aims at provision of comprehensive and integrated primary healthcare to the people, especially to the rural poor, women and children, which would facilitate to achieve the Goals of National Population Policy and National Health Policy.

Crimes in Bihar during President's rule

† *418. SHRI RAJ MOHINDER SINGH MAJITHA:
SHRI RAVI SHANKAR PRASAD:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that crimes in Bihar during the President's rule have been reported to have increased tremendously;

(b) if not, the number of incidents relating to kidnapping, murders and dacoities that have taken place in Bihar during the period mentioned above;

(c) the number of persons who have been arrested in connection with these incidents; and

(d) the number of cases which have been filed in courts in connection with the incidents mentioned above?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI MANIKRAO HODLYA GAVIT): (a) and (b) The current period of

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President's Rule in Bihar commenced in March, 2005. As per information received from the Government of Bihar, 1045 cases of kidnapping, 1521 cases of murder and 525 cases of dacoity were reported during the period from March, 2005 to July, 2005 as compared to the figures of kidnapping (905), murder (1695) and dacoity (497) for the corresponding period of 2004. As seen from the above, incidents of kidnapping and dacoity have shown marginal increase whereas, incidents of murder have declined.

(c) and (d) The State Government has informed that figures of arrest and cases sent to courts are not maintained crime head-wise. However, the total number of criminals arrested during March, 2005 to July, 2005 is 67,222.

Allocation for construction, development and upgradation of roads in border areas

† *419. SHRI MANGANI LAL MANDAL: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the amount allocated by the Centre to the concerned States since 2000-01 till date for construction, development and upgradation of existing roads in border areas between India and neighbouring countries; and

(b) the State-wise amount released in comparison to the amount allocated alongwith the details of the expenditure incurred and physical achievements made?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI S. REGUPATHY): (a) and (b) Under Border Area Development Programme (BADP) various development activities including construction/ strengthening of links roads, culverts, repairs and maintenance of existing roads are undertaken as a part of the comprehensive approach to the Border Management with focus on socio-economic development of the border areas and to promote a sense of security amongst the people living there. The funds under this programme are provided to the State Governments as a 100% Central grant for supplementing the State efforts. While the Government of India lays down the broad guidelines, the schemes/works under BADP are finalized and approved by the State Level Screening Committees and also executed by the State Governments.

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